THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MULRI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Statements of category-wise and Vidyalaya-wise vacancies of teachers in the Kendriya Vidyalayas of Guwahati and Silchar Region (in different states of North-East Regions) are annexed herewith as Annexure I to III. (*See* Appendix 184).

(c) Annexure No. 88 Number of teachers category-wise recruited directly as well as from promotion during the preceeding academic session in the Vidyalaya of North-East Regions is as under:

POST GRADUATE TEACHER	—Direct	158
	— Promotee —	

Reduction in Staff Strength of Kendriya Vidyalayas

3449. SHRI RAGHAVJI:
SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a reduction in the staff strength sanctioned for the 1998-99 for different Kendriya Vidyalays;

(b) if so, category and Vidyalaya-wise details of posts reduced;

(c) whether this reduction has been complained against and a review committee set up to review the staff strength for 1998-99; and

(d) if so, composition of the Committee and its terms of reference?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan have informed that the Sangathan has prescribed norms for determining teaching and non-teaching staff in each Kendriya Vidyalaya every year based on the students enrolment, subjects offered in class XI and XII and the number of periods required for each subject per class. As such certain reduction and addition in the posts of staff take place because of the change in sanctioned strength due to decrease/increase in classes/sections, marger of shifts, upgradation of Kendriya Vidyalaya, etc. The exercise of staff fixation for the academic year 1998-99 is still in progress. The Kendriya wise details will be placed on the table of the Sabha.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. A Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. Khandelwal, Chairman, Central Board of Secondary Education Dr. G.L. Arora, Head of Teacher Education, National Council of Educational Research & Training and Shri Puran Chand, Joint Commissioner (Academic) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan as members of review the position of surplus staff and norms of staff sanction.

महिला शिक्षा को प्रोत्साहित करने के लिए कदम

3450. **श्री रामगोपाल यादव:**
श्री ईश दत्त यादव:

क्या **मानव संसाधन विकास** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने शैक्षिक संस्थाओं की स्थापना और विकास करने तथा अन्य सुविधाएं प्रदान करने के लिए कोई नीति तैयार की है ताकि देश के उन राज्यों में महिला शिक्षा को प्रोत्साहित किया जा सके जहां शिक्षित महिलाओं की प्रतिशतता अपेक्षाकृत कम है; और

(ख) क्या उपरोक्त विषय के संबंध में संबंधित राज्य सरकारों को भी दिशा-निर्देश जारी किए जाएंगे?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (डा० मुरली मनोहर जोशी): (क) और (ख) राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा नीति 1986 और इसके बाद तैयार कार्य योजना समानता पर बल देती है, लड़कियों और महिलाओं की शिक्षा यहां तक आवश्यक घटक है, जो उन्हें सशक्त बनाता है

लड़कियों की शिक्षा पर ध्यान देने वाली बहुत-सी केन्द्रीय प्रायोजित योजनाएं हैं। निम्न महिला साक्षरता वाले क्षेत्र में शैक्षिक समस्याओं पर ध्यान देने के लिए 14

राज्यों के 149 जिलों में इस समय जिला प्राथमिक शिक्षा कार्यक्रम चल रहा है। अनौपचारिक शिक्षा योजना भी पिछड़े और दूर-दराज क्षेत्रों में स्कूल न जाने वाले बच्चों के लिए है और इसलिए यह लड़कियों पर विशेष ध्यान देती है। संपूर्ण साक्षरता अभियान भी महिलाओं में साक्षरता बढ़ाने पर विशेष बल देता है। महिला समाख्या कार्यक्रम भी निम्न महिला साक्षरता क्षेत्रों में एक अन्य प्रयास है।

शासन के राष्ट्रीय एजेंडे में लड़कियों की शिक्षा को प्राथमिकता दी गई है और वर्ष 1998-99 के बजट में लड़कियों की निशुल्क शिक्षा को बढ़ावा देने के लिए 100 करोड़ रुपये निर्धारित किए गए हैं।

Promotion of Modern Indian Languages

3451. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the modern Indian languages, which the Ministry of HRD are promoting and the budget allocated for each of such languages;

(b) whether Sanskrit is also included, if not, what is the amount allocated during 1998-99 for promotion of Sanskrit; and

(c) whether it is a fact that Government is increasing allocation to Sanskrit by 300% for 1998-99; if so, what are the schemes proposed?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Human Resource Development implements various schemes, through its subordinate offices/ autonomous bodies, for the promotion of languages included in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution which includes Sanskrit also. The allocation of funds for the development of languages including Sanskrit for 1998-99 is Rs. 60.80 crore. for the promotion of Sanskrit, the allocation for 1998-99 is Rs. 30.00 crore as against B.E. of Rs. 25.31 crore and R.E. of Rs. 14.33 during 1997-98.

The schemes to be implemented during 1998-99 are as follows:

(i) Financial assistance to pandits.

(ii) Scholarships to students of High/ Higher Secondary schools studying Sanskrit.

(iii) Providing facilities for teaching of Sanskrit in Secondary Schools.

(iv) Modernisation of Sanskrit Pathshalas.

(v) Grant to State Governments for various schemes for promotion of Sanskrit such as upgrading the salary of Sanskrit teachers, holding of evening classes, honouring vedic scholars, celebrating Kalidasa samaroha, assistance to non-Government organisations sponsored by State Government for Research Projects, Deemed Sanskrit Universities, grant for Schools, Colleges, Vidyapeethas, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthans, Deemed Sanskrit Universities, Central Board of Secondary Education for conducting/organising training to in-service teachers etc.

Eligibility Conditions for UGC Grant

3452. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Universities converted from the State Universities and established directly by the Central Government with their names now functioning in the States;

(b) the eligibility conditions of State universities and colleges for extending UGC's grant;

(c) whether the private colleges can be extended the UGC's grant; and

(d) the names of the State Government colleges receiving UGC's grant in the North Eastern States alongwith amount and purposes during the Eighth and Ninth Five Year Plans on State-wise basis?